

PROBLEM SESSION

2024-02-23

(1)

16.48 PIT

(H^n, unif)

$\deg f [x, \dots, x_n] \leq d$, $H \subseteq F$
 $|H| \geq 2d$

If $f \neq 0$ then $\Pr_{a \in H^n} (f(a) = 0) \leq \frac{1}{2}$

$\Pr(\text{wrong answer}) \leq 2^{-k}$

"If answer is $f=0$ then $\Pr(\text{wrong})$ is small"

12.69 Sorting n items
 $k = o(n \log n)$ comparisons

Proof

2^k outcomes



□
 "sorted" outcome

$$P(A \text{ is sorted}) \leq \frac{2^k}{l!}$$

$$\delta \leftarrow P(\exists A \text{ not sorted}) \leq \binom{n}{l} \cdot \frac{2^k}{l!} < \frac{n^l}{(l!)^2} \cdot 2^k$$

$$2^k > \delta \cdot \frac{(l!)^2}{n^l} > \delta \cdot \left(\frac{l^2}{e^2 n} \right)^l = \delta \left(\frac{\epsilon^2}{e^2} \cdot n \right)^l$$



$$\frac{n}{100} = l$$

l! outcomes

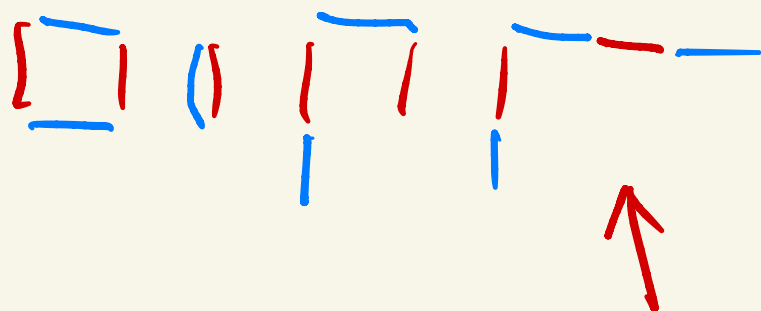
$$\left\lfloor \frac{l}{n} \right\rfloor = \epsilon$$

$$l! > \left(\frac{l}{e} \right)^l$$

$$k > \log \delta + \epsilon n (c + \log n) \sim \epsilon n \log n$$

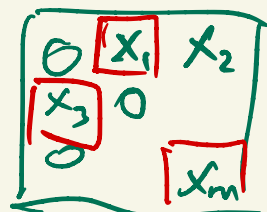
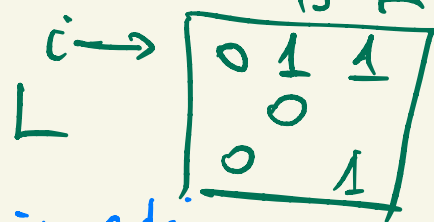
13.54 M not maximum matching

$\Rightarrow$ $\exists$ augmenting path

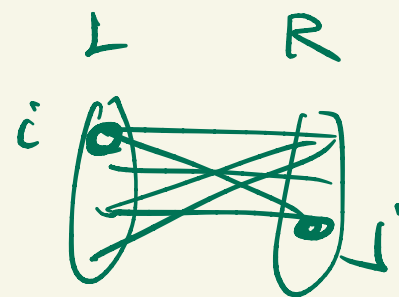


blue: maximum matching
red: non-maximum

Bipartite adj. matrix

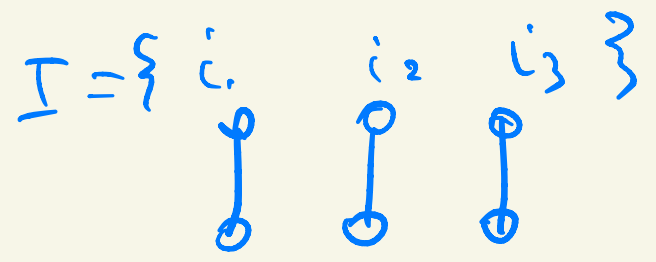


$\hat{B}$



$\exists$ perf matching $\Leftrightarrow$
 $\det \hat{B} \neq 0$

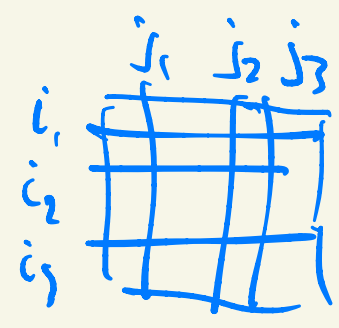
bip. adj.
matrix B



maximum matching

$$I = \{i_1, i_2, i_3\}$$

$$J = \{j_1, j_2, j_3\}$$



$$\leftarrow \det \hat{B}|_{I,J} \neq 0$$

$$\forall a \quad \text{rk}(\hat{B}(a)) \leq v$$

$$P \left(\text{rk}(\hat{B}(a)) = v \right) \geq \frac{1}{2}$$

$$a \in H^m$$

$$|H| \geq 2 \cdot v$$

Pick P

$$p > 2v \quad \underline{4l > p \geq 2 \cdot \min(|L|, |R|)}$$

$$n^3 \log^2 n$$

Eratosthenes's sieve

$$\sum_{p \leq n} \frac{n}{p} \sim n \sum_{p \leq n} \frac{1}{p} \sim \underline{n \log \log n}$$



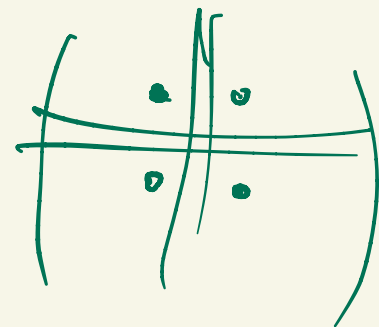
2R

Tutte matrix $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$
 G graph adj. matrix $\rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 & x_{ij} \\ -x_{ij} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$
 $C^T = -C$
 skew sym matrix

$$A \in F^{n \times n}$$

$$f_A(t) = \det(tI - A) = \text{charact. poly.}$$

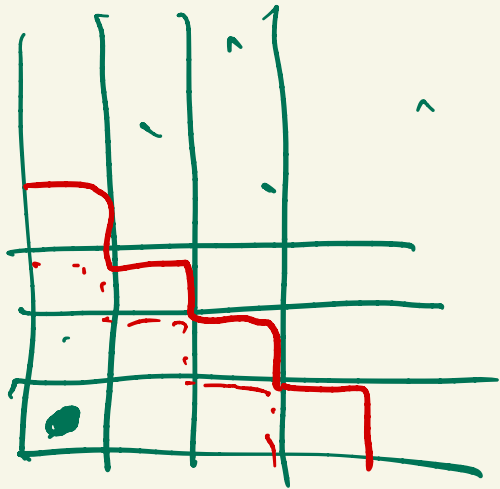
$$= c_0 + c_1 t + \dots + c_n t^n$$



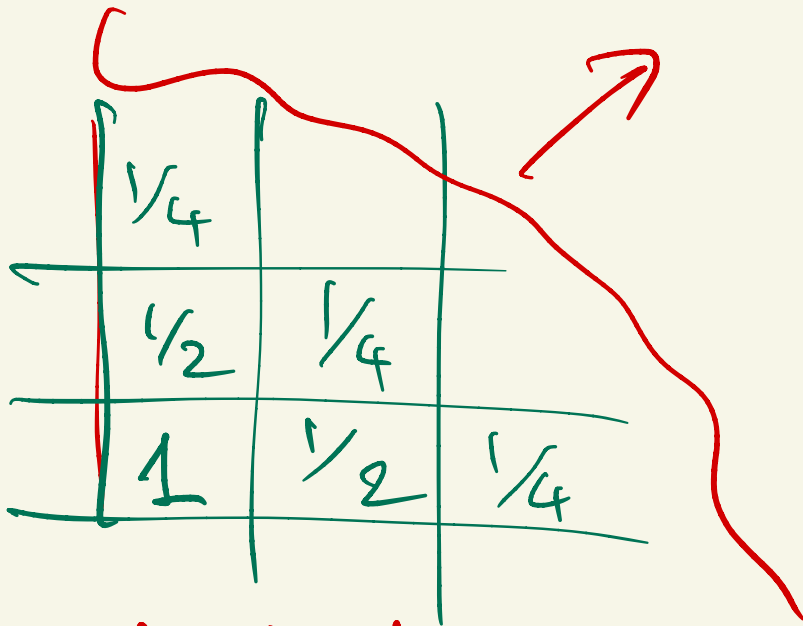
$$c_n = 1$$

$$c_{n-1} = -\sum a_{ii}$$

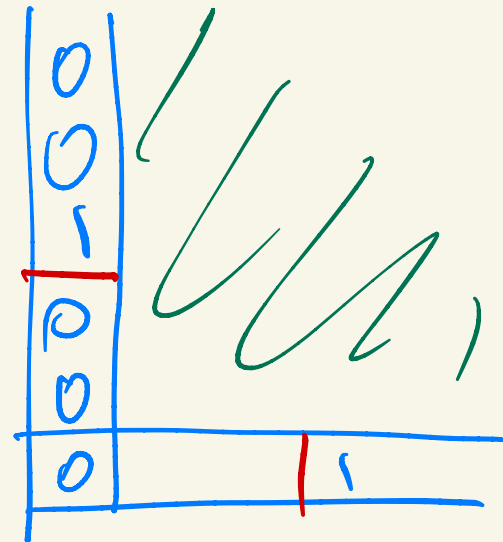
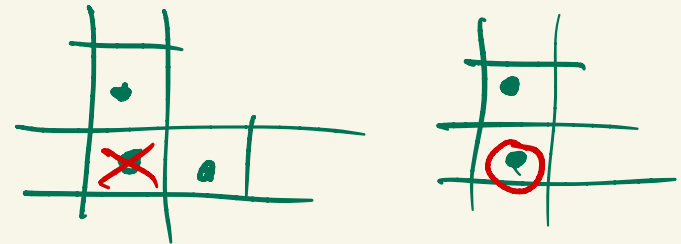
$$c_{n-2} = \sum \det \text{ 2x2 sym. submatrices}$$



6



method of
potential functions



$f: \{\text{configurations}\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

n events, (n-1)-wise but not fully indep events

7

$$\mathbb{F}_2^n \supset \{x \in \mathbb{F}_2^n \mid \sum x_i = 0\} =: \Omega$$

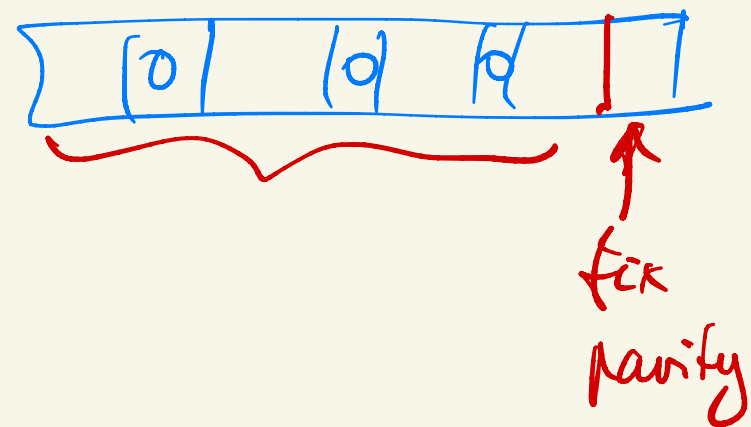
in $\mathbb{F}_2$ unif

$$A_i = \{x_i = 0\}$$

$$P(A_i) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$I \subseteq [n] \quad |I| \leq n-1$$

$$\Rightarrow P\left(\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i\right) = \frac{1}{2^{|I|}}$$

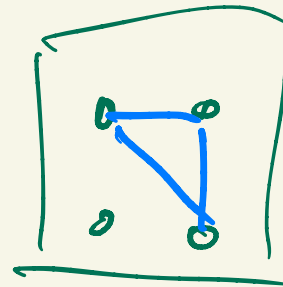
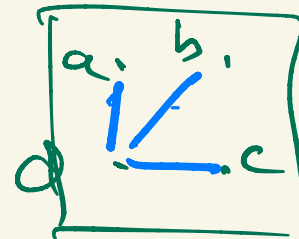


18-67 3 events, pairwise but not fully indep.

8

$$|\Omega| \geq 4$$

$$\Omega = [4] \text{ mit}$$



19.49 MAX-3SAT

disjunctive 3-clauses

$C_1, \dots, C_m$

9

$$\mu(C_1 \dots C_m) =$$

max # simultaneously
satisfiable clauses

$$\underbrace{x_i \vee \bar{x}_j \vee \bar{x}_k}_{\text{clause}}$$

Claim $\mu \geq \frac{7}{8} m$

random assignment: $\Omega = \{0, 1\}^n$ unif.

$X = \#$ satisfied clauses

Y_i = indicator that C_i is satisfied

$$X = \sum Y_i$$

$$\therefore E(X) = \sum E(Y_i) = \sum P(\downarrow) = \frac{7}{8} m$$

$$A_1 \dots A_k \text{ indep, non-triv} \Rightarrow |\Omega| \geq 2^k \quad \underline{10}$$

↓

$$\text{Pf} \quad A_1^{\varepsilon_1} \dots A_k^{\varepsilon_k} \quad \varepsilon_i = \pm \quad A^+ = A \quad A^- = \overline{A}$$

indep.

"atoms"

$$\bullet \quad B(\varepsilon_1 \dots \varepsilon_n) = \bigcap A_i^{\varepsilon_i} \quad B(\varepsilon'_1 \dots \varepsilon'_n) \quad \left. \varepsilon \neq \varepsilon' \right\}$$

these are disjoint $\leftarrow 1 = \varepsilon_i \neq \varepsilon'_i = 0$

partition

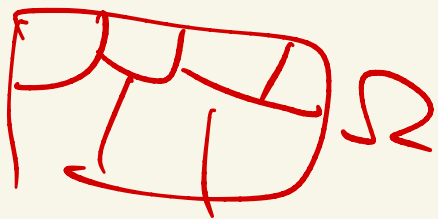
$$B(\underline{\varepsilon}) \subseteq A_i$$

$$B(\underline{\varepsilon}') \subseteq \overline{A_i}$$

$$P(B(\underline{\varepsilon})) = \prod \underbrace{P(A_i^{\varepsilon_i})}_{\neq 0} \neq 0$$

2^k disjoint
non-empty
subsets of Ω

$$\therefore |\Omega| \geq 2^k$$



Fermat's Little Theorem

If p is prime
 if $\gcd(a, p) = 1$ then $a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$

for any n

$$\{a \in \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \mid \gcd(a, n) = 1, a^{n-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}\}$$

nonwitnesses

$\leq$ subgroup of $(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^\times$

Witness for primality : for primes $\exists$ prim. test:

$$1, g, \dots, g^{n-2} \neq 1, \quad g^{n-1} = 1 \quad g^{\frac{n-1}{p}} \neq 1$$

$$\sum n^{\text{th}} \text{ roots of unity} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n=1 \\ 0 & \text{if } n \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

$$1, \omega, \omega^2, \dots, \omega^{n-1}$$

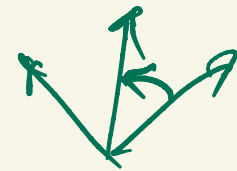
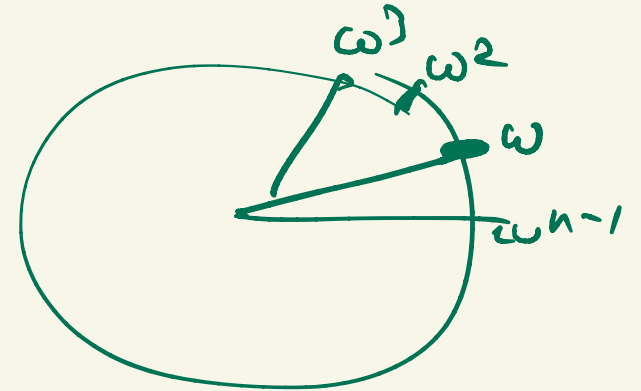
$$1 + \omega + \dots + \omega^{n-1} = \frac{\omega^n - 1}{\omega - 1} = 0$$

$$S = 1 + \omega + \dots + \omega^{n-1}$$

$$\omega \cdot S = \omega + \omega^2 + \dots + \omega^n = S$$

$$\underbrace{(\omega - 1)}_{S=0} S = 0$$

$$\omega = \cos \frac{2\pi}{n} + i \sin \frac{2\pi}{n}$$



$$\underline{S} = \underline{S} \text{ rotated}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{S} = \underline{0}$$

$\underline{S}$

$$c_0 + c_1x + \dots + c_nx^n = \prod (x - \alpha_i) =$$

$$c_n = 1$$

$$\alpha_i : \text{roots} \quad \alpha_i \in \mathbb{C}$$

$$= x^n - \left(\sum \alpha_i\right)x^{n-1} + \sum_{i < j} \alpha_i \alpha_j \cdot x^{n-2}$$

$$x^n - 1$$